

A Prayer for the Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at
risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus,
the Prince of Peace.
Amen.



Giving at St James

If you wish to make a donation towards
the ministry of St. James, or indeed
need to pay for a specific service,
please speak to Rev Ian or the Churchwardens.
Alternatively, you can scan
the QR code in this notice. Thank you.



Everyday Faith

Everyday Faith is a new app from the Church of England which is
available for Android and Apple devices (from your usual app
store). There is also a web page at [https://
www.churchofengland.org/resources/everyday-faith-portal](https://www.churchofengland.org/resources/everyday-faith-portal)

The app is designed around daily reflections, prayers and guid-
ance to help folk find and follow God in our everyday lives. It
seeks to help people grow into a Christ-centred and Christ-shaped
life. It will also have seasonal content (such as at Advent/
Christmas).

Pastoral Visiting

If you would like the opportunity for a longer chat than time
affords after a church service please feel free to contact
me. Thank you. Rev. Ian

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My notes

The Collect

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your
love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.



31st May 2026

10.30am Service of the Word



Welcome and notices

Opening words

Song: How great thou art

Confession

Introduction

Song: Make me a channel of your peace

Activity

Gospel reading: Matthew 28:16-end

Sermon

Activity

Song: We believe in God the Father

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Song: I the lord of sea and sky

Blessing and Dismissal

*If you have a word, a vision or a story to share, please
speak to Ian or one of the welcomers before the ser-
vice. An auditory loop is available.*

Large print service books are available.



NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Sunday 31st May:

8:00am - Communion Service
10:30am - Café Church

Monday 1st June:

10:00am - Prayer meeting @ Hawthorn Road

Tuesday 2nd June:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

Wednesday 3rd June:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome

Sunday 7th June:

10:30am - Communion Service
3:00pm - Messy Church

Ministries in Church

There are many things which happen each week to help the church gather and worship together.

Rather than listing them I thought we would set out specific appeals for help. So, if you enjoy your welcome, or your cup of coffee after the service, or indeed having a chair to sit on when we meet., would you consider helping with these? We are heavily reliant on a few individuals who do this and, as we all know, many hands make light work!

Thank you.

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on **7th June** and we will be thinking about the life of Moses. Please pray for those who plan and deliver this ministry as we look ahead for ideas for upcoming gatherings.

Any offers to help with crafts, to cook, chatting to guests and tidying up would be **really helpful**. Please see Rev Ian or Jenny B for more information.

Stay & Play

Stay and Play runs every Tuesday in term time from 1:15pm. This is an opportunity for parents/carers and their children to meet and play. Please tell folk about it and, if you want a flyer or a card to help, or indeed would like to help support this ministry, please see Rev Ian.

A space which offers coffee, tea, biscuits, cakes and sandwiches along with conversation, board games, computer access, advice and so forth.

Pets are welcome! Please come along or invite anyone who might find it of value.



Mission Partners

We pray for the work of **TEARFUND** and their mission to see people freed from poverty, living transformed lives, and fulfilling their God-given potential. We pray for partnerships with Christians, local churches and organisations around the world, as they seek to equip people to lift themselves out of poverty and fulfil their God-given potential.

News from the Food Bank

Slade Green food bank has an urgent need for::

- ◆ Tinned fruit and veg
- ◆ Chocolate/snacks
- ◆ Tuna/hotdogs/meatballs
- ◆ Tea/coffee/hot chocolate
- ◆ Long life/evaporated milk
- ◆ Ready made custard
- ◆ Dried noodles, pasta & rice
- ◆ Pasta/curry sauces
- ◆ Stuffing/gravy
- ◆ Jam, honey, spreads
- ◆ Tins of baked beans, beans and sausages, macaroni cheese & chilli con carne
- ◆ Baby products - wet wipes, nappies size 4-6
- ◆ Toothpaste, Shower gel, Deodorant
- ◆ Shampoo & Razors
- ◆ Housecleaning products
- ◆ Toilet and kitchen roll



Prayer Focus

Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:



Brenda M and Pip, Janet C, Mike S and Mike's daughter -in-law Racheal, Barry G, Thelma H, Stephen R and Harper.

We pray for Carol M and her family as they mourn the death of Carol's aunt, Joy C.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray specifically for Christine, Andy and Craig L and Brenda M.

We pray for all those who live, work or travel along The Drive and The Rise.